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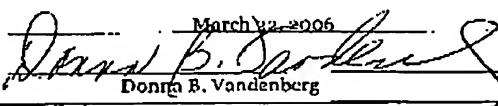
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE THE APPLICATION OF)
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) Art Unit: 3753
 SERIAL NO: 10/764,902)
) Confirmation No.: 2637
 FILED: January 26, 2004)
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 FOR: Suction Valve)

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The United States Patent Office granted Applicant's Petition to reinstate the above application based on an unintentional abandonment. The application was reinstated March 14, 2006. The present communication seeks to further amend claim 1. The present communication also provides an Information Disclosure Statement with the appropriate references.

Prior to the present communication, claim 1 is pending. The present communication amends claim 1.

The amendments to the claims begin on Page 3.

No amendments are made to the specification.

No amendments are made to the drawings.

The Remarks begin on Page 4.